

**Liquor Control Commission Meeting
Special Meeting
City Hall - Council Chambers
1707 St Johns Avenue
Highland Park, IL 60035
January 26, 2026
4:00 PM
Agenda**

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I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Liquor Control Commission Held on September 23, 2024

IV. Business from the Public (Individuals wishing to be heard regarding items not listed on this agenda)

V. Scheduled Business

- A. Hearing Regarding a Violation of the Liquor Control Ordinances with Respect to the Sale of Alcoholic Liquor to a Minor by an Employee of Infuse Hospitality d/b/a Braeside Market
- B. Hearing Regarding a Violation of the Liquor Control Ordinances with Respect to the Sale of Alcoholic Liquor to a Minor by an Employee of Sunset Food Mart d/b/a Sunset Foods

VI. Closed Session

VII. Adjournment

Staff Report



Meeting Date: January 26, 2026

Staff Contact: Ashley Palbitska, Assistant to the City Manager/Deputy City Clerk

Department: City Manager's Office

Title: Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Liquor Control Commission Held on September 23, 2024

Recommendation:

For the Liquor Control Commission's approval are the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Liquor Control held on September 23, 2024.

Attachments:

1. MIN LCC 240923

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK, ILLINOIS**

MEETING DATE: Monday, September 23, 2024
MEETING LOCATION: City Council Chambers, City Hall
1707 St. Johns Avenue, Highland Park, Illinois

CALL TO ORDER

At 4:00 PM, Chair Rotering called the meeting to order and asked the Assistant to the City Manager to call the roll:

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Rotering, Commissioner Stone, Commissioner Blumberg

Members Absent: None

Chairman Rotering declared a quorum was present.

Staff Present: Ghida Neukirch, Lou Jogmen, Ashley Palbitska

Also Present: Deputy Corporation Counsel Hart Passman; David Sloane - DINX

BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no business from the public.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

1. Consideration of an Amendment to the City Code to create a new liquor license category for Self-Serve Establishments

Mayor Rotering noted that the Commissioners have reviewed the information related to the request for a new license category for Self-Serve Establishments.

David Sloane, owner of DINX Social Club, presented information as it relates to his business model, how the system would work, security built in to the system, how IDs will be checked and the steps that will be taken to ensure there are no sales or service to underage individuals.

The Commission and Mr. Sloane discussed in detail all of the information that was presented.

Chairman Rotering, Deputy Corporation Counsel Passman, and Staff discussed concerns with the new license category and next steps to present the information to the full Council in regards to a new license category.

The Commission was in consensus to move forward with a new license category specifically for Self-Service establishments.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Rotering entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Stone moved to adjourn. Commissioner Blumberg seconded the motion.

On a voice vote, the Chairman declared the motion passed unanimously.

The Commission adjourned its meeting at 4:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Palbitska
Assistant to the City Manager/Deputy City Clerk

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Department: City Manager's Office

Title: Hearing Regarding a Violation of the Liquor Control Ordinances with Respect to the Sale of Alcoholic Liquor to a Minor by an Employee of Infuse Hospitality d/b/a Braeside Market

Recommendation:

Staff is recommending a review of the information included as it relates to the Citation, Police Report detailing the violation which had occurred on December 2, 2025, and Findings Decisions Order from the Administrative Hearing Officer for Infuse Hospitality d/b/a Braeside Market. This is the first citation issued to an Infuse Hospitality d/b/a Braeside Market employee for the sale of alcohol to a minor.

Staff is seeking direction from the Liquor Control Commission.

Attachments:

None

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